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Dear Sir:

Douglas M. Sheffield, Jr. declares that:

The inventions described and claimed in the above-described patent application as filed and as amended by the accompanying Amendment A were developed in part by me, and in part by my wife Tamara Sheffield during 1996 to 1997 at our home in St. Louis, Missouri.

We unexpectedly discovered factors essential to expanding the original concept of my invention disclosed in U.S. Patent 5,714,215 so that other configurations could be accorded self-suction functionality.

I inadvertently overlooked my wife's independent contribution at the time that I originally executed the above-described patent application. Upon reflection after reviewing the Examiner's statements and upon advise of counsel, her practical suggestions that assisted in making the main idea operative are sufficient to make her a co-inventor.

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